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TRANSACTIONS

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, DC 20231**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

This paper is responsive to a Non-Final Office action dated June 21, 2002, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire September 23, 2002 (September 21, 2002 being a Saturday). Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

AMENDMENTIn the Claims

Please amend the claims as follows:

B1 SUB 17
15 (Amended). The method of claim 11, further comprising:
effectively randomizing the set of outcomes by further combining the player indices with
a randomized index.

B2
18 (Amended). The method of claim 11,
wherein the transformational securing of the predetermined set of outcomes includes
cryptographically securing the set of outcomes.